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CITIZENS STATE BANK HAYS, KANSAS

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**FARMERS STATE BANK** WALKER, KANSAS

## GREETINGS

We thank you for your patronage; and extend to you the Seasons Greetings. May 1916 be a Prosperoas and Happy Year for

The Farmers Co-Operative Association HAYS, KANSAS

The Ford Tractor

IN HAYS AFTER

Saturday, November 27th

Dreiling Lumber Co.

VICTORIA, KANSAS

# WHAT INTEREST DO YOU PAY?

\$50,000

TO LOAN THIS MONTH

On Farm Land

Low Rate of Interest

No Extra Commission Money Paid Without Delay.

J. M. Schaefer Loan & Insurance Co.

P. S.-We write Insurance in the BEST Companies.

#### James Westbrook is home from Kan-

Miss Alice Penney is home from school for the holidays.

Good shoe repairing is important. We do it. Gassman's Shoe Hospital. Dr. Jordan went to Chicago, Sunday night, for a two weeks vacation.

The Hays Music Club will meet with Mrs. A. F. Cochran, Jan. 4, 1916. Herman Roenfeldt is here on a visit

to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roen-Anthony Deane is here from Hutch-

There will be a cab to meet every

train this winter. Pruitt Livery Barn, The Hays postoffice will be open a

a few hours Saturday morning, and then close for the day. Don't throw away your old shoes just

chance at them and save money. The Mulroys attended a reunion of the Start family at the home of James Start-their relative-near McCracken, Christmas Day.

yet. Give Gassman's Shoe Hospital a

Wm. Stanton, a prominent farmer from near Hyacinth, was a pleasant caller at the Free Press office, Monday of this week.

The Ladies' Aid of the Lutheran church will meet in the lecture room of the church, January 6th. All members are requested to be present.

The various young people's societies of the different churches held a very fine social at the Methodist church on last Thursday evening.

The Mulroy family of the Windsor week, and gave their help a rest during the holiday season.

How can you afford to walk when you can get a cab at the Pruitt South Side Livery Barn, for only 25 cents to any part of the city. Day or night. Phone

Harry Freese, who has been doing the Frisco-Diego Fair the past five or six weeks and visiting his children at in North Hays, last night, Friday. Los Angeles and San Francisco, arrived home this Friday morning.

Public Utilities Commission will meet has returned to his home in Illinois. Russell, Jan. 25, 1916, to listen to arguments regarding the Union Pacific train service. Every town along the line has been invited to send delegates

a cab meet every train, and we will take care of your baggage.

There will be a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture Jan. 12-14, 1916. The good roads question and all other questions pretaining to the betterment of the State will be discussed by prominent speakers. Every farmer in the State is invited to be present.

The following gentlemen were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Tony Jacobs at a 6 o'clock dinner, Monday evening: Mr. Susenheimer of St. Louis, Mr. Talbott of Kansas City, Architect Smith of Salina, and Messrs. Fred Schwaller and F. N. Dreiling of this city.

Wm. Seaton who on Oct. 29, at Collyer, stabbed James Rash, in the throat plead guilty of 4th degree murder Monday and was sentenced by Judge Ruppenthal to the penetentiary for a term of two years. Rash, it will be remembered, dled in the Hays hospital about ten days later.

The Pruitt South Side Livery Barn leave Sunday night for their respective has put on two night and day men schools at Ann Arbor and K. U., to reto take care of the cab and baggage sume their studies. business. Phone 276. The cab will meet every train.

The Ellsworth Messenger gives a well-known Hays woman the following complimentary notice: The entertainment, given at the M. E. Church last Thursday evening by Mrs. Florence M. Hale, of Hays, was of very high class. Mrs. Hale proved herself to be a reader and entertainer of rare ability.

The audience was delighted. Every minute was interesting and elavating. Should she ever return to our city she will find an enthusiastic reception.

A number of the ladies of the city omplain that whenever they have occasion to go into the waiting room at the depot, they can hardly breathe on account of the tobacco smoke. Men who smoke should be gentlemen enough to leave their cigars and pipes out of doors. Of course, when Hays gets that new depot that was promised about two years ago, then things will be different, There will be a waiting room exclusively for the ladies. Just wait. The morning. They will visit relatives and gone hence but their heirs can enjoy the other cities of that state, before return- the mental qualities supposed to disnew depot with its luxurious appoint- ing.

Francis Beaulieu and wife, of Sabetha day morning, and were astonished so was Hays. Mrs. Beaulieu is a sister and exchange ideas. Call often. of H. L. Knoche, and formerly lived in Victoria. They settled in Victoria in Hays, for sale. Come in and let me 1878, and Mr. Beaulieu was engaged in show it to you. It has a fine modern blacksmithing and the old timers know house and is an ideal home. I am going him as "Frenchie," and was a favorite to sell it, so get a close to town farm. of all the settlers. They sold out in The price is right. John H. Wood.

residents of this county and a resident for only 25 cents. Phone 276, of Hays, died Sunday and was buried

Joseph Zimmerman, another of the night. old residents of this county, died Saturday night, and his remains were con- has been quite sick, is slightly improved signed to their last resting place in the in health. Catholic cemetery.

to Ellis

Harry Grass was over from LaCrosse. Thursday

inson, on a short visit with friends and \$200.00 Edison Amberolas for \$125.00 at Schultz's.

A new "car puller" has recently been installed at the mill. Mrs. L. D. Wooster is enjoying a

visit from her mother. Will Shutts has purchased a new Studebaker automobile

Phonographs and Talking Machines at your own price at Schultz's.

Miss Edith Blair from Kansas City, Mo., spent Xmas with the Feitz girls. Fred Huttle and wife returned Tuesday night, from their holiday trip east. J. H. Wood returned Tuesday from a

visit with his family in Kansas City. The Pruitt Livery Barn will take care of your baggage, Phone 276. Philip Scott, grandson of Mr. and

Mrs. George Philip, is here on a visit. H. A. Nickles and family will dine with H. A. Cowan and family, today, Jan. 1, 1916.

We have two-high grade pianos that we will sell for less than half of the original cost.

Dr. Hemm is quite sick. He is suf-Hotel, closed their cafe the first of the fering from an attack of the prevailing strated their sympathy for the suffer disease, la grippe. Queenie Cox Wilson of Grinnell, is

visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Cox, this week. Mrs. Bartholamew entertained the

ladies of the M. E. Aid Society at the church, Wednesday afternoon. The Pollyanna Club girls were enter-

tained by Miss Hazel Rea at her home C. A. Brooker, who has been visiting

the Stout family for sometime past Henry Geibler and wife of Cheyenn Wells, Colorado, are here this week

visiting friends and relatives. Mrs. Shively and Mrs. Wiest entertained a number of friends at the home The Pruitt Livery Barn will have of Mrs. Shively, Wednesday evening. The cable for the White Way on No.

mal Avenue was laid this week, and the juice will be turned on in a short time Alex Grant, one of the old-time residents of Hays, now living at Chlckasha Oklahoma, is visiting friends in Haya.

Arthur Rose, the painter, who has been ill at the hospital for some time, expects to leave the hospital today, a Show Cases, Wall Cases, Counters

and my large Regulator must be sold ized, considering it was holiday week before the 1st of February. H. C. Ollie Robinson and family were up

from Wilson, for Christmos dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Robin-Mrs. Blair, mother of Mrs. Azel

Cochran, who has been here for several weeks past, left for her home at Fort Worth, Texas, Wednes-Ralph Ward and Wilfred Wann will

Come in and let me show you what

we have for a home. It will suit you, I am sure. I have the best in Hays. John H. Wood.

Mrs. H. M. Briner arrived Thursday night from Fayette City, Pa., on a surprise visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. E. Stout, Chtistmas Day, entertained her daughter, Rose Nolan and son James, J. L. Stout and wife, C. A. Brooker, Mrs. John Fogel and Frank

Mrs. Matt Truan, C. L. Smith and family of the East Saline, and Harry Freeze returned this week from their trip of the past three mouths in Cali-

Mrs. Rolla Huntley of Pawnee, Nebraska, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sutton, and her sisters, Miss Annabelle Sutton, Mrs. Millard Kirkman and Mrs. Frank Stout.

Judge J. H. Downing and wife were east bound passengers, Wednesday present generation will probably have friends in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and

Fred Johnson of Zurich, was a pleasant caller at the Free Press office, Kansas, got off train No. 119 last Fri. Tuesday, and advanced his subscription to this paper one year. We are always that you will have to have a place for much, that they could not believe it pleased to meet our patrons at any time cattle and horses that makes the money

The best 160 in Ellis county adjoining

1883 and moved to Sabetha. They are The First National Bank commenced both loud in their praises of the substan- building a coal house of lumber on their fact, B. A. Thomas Stock Remedy is tial improvements, that have been made lot just west of the bank, the first of so certain to give the right results that in Hays, since they left here. These the week, and were promptly called by we sell it on the money back plan. If good people have done well financially Mayor Osbant, Will, you should take it doesn't straigten up your horse, cow and are going to California to spend the a day off and read up on the city ordi- or sheep, we give your money back.

The Pruitt Livery barn will take you Balzar Denning, one of the pioneer to any part of the city, day or night

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Malloy entertain-

ed a number of their friends Tuesday Miss Elizabeth Condit's mother who

Jennie Nickles went to Wichita, W. N. Ward and family have moved Thursday, for a visit with the Zimmer

Esther Baldwin who has been visiting Mrs. Neiswanger, will leave for her home at Wichita, Sunday morning. D. H. Earley left Wednesday night, for Guthrie, Oklahoma, to visit his

daughter, Mrs. E. C. Murphy. Mrs. Kate Miller who has been sick at the hospital for several weeks, is considerably improved in health.

Mrs. Geo. Philip entertained a number of the "old-timers" Tuesday after noon, in honor of Mrs. Lochy Scott.

Mart Stehley and family were down from Ellis, Christmas day, the guest of

their relatives, the Haffamier family Mrs. Wm. Mann (Stella West) with her husband, left Wednesday night for Kansas City. Their visit here was shortened by the ill health of Mr

On December 18, 1915, President Wil on issued a proclamation calling the attention of the people of the United States to the terrible condition of the people of Poland, caused by the awful war now raging in Europe, and asks all those who can to give of their abundance. We quote the following from his proclamation: "Whereas, The peo ple of the United States have demor ing people on all sides of the great European war by their splendid and successful charitable work in Belgium, Serbia and other places, and feeling that the American people would quickly respond to an appeal for help in Poland once the tragedy of the situation there is brought home to them. Whereas, feel confident that the people of the United States, during this holiday sea on, will be moved to aid a people stricken by war, famine and disease Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson President of the United States, in con bliance with the suggestion of the Sen ate thereof, do appoint and proclaim January 1, 1916, as a day upon which the people of the United States ma make such contributions as they feel and Ohio is popularly known as "The disposed for the aid of the stricken Polish people. Contributions may be addressed to the American Red Cross Washington, D. C., which will care for their proper distribution."

Mrs. Morton and daughters, Beulah and Gladys, returned Thursday night to their nome in Ellis, after a short visit at the home of Ed C. Flood

pany that held forth at the New Opera House last week were fairly well patron and the people were busy planning for Christmas festivities. The company was an extra good one and gave entir satisfaction to those who attended To-night the Barney Walf Co, will pre sent "The Sixth Commandment," Mr. Wolf was one the Jack Benjamin Co. and it is, understood that others of the company are with him.

Strayed.-Black yearlieg heifer, has round hole cut in each ear. Strayed from M. R. Moore's pasture on the Smoky. Notify M. R. Moore,

Selecting One's Work. Don't choose a business because other people are making a lot of money in it, and don't reject the pro fessions merely because you have known some doctors and lawyers who can't pay their bills. What you must look for is the kind of work you can do best. In that you will be the hap plest and most successful, even though you never become wealthy.-J. F. Johnson, Dean of the New York School of Commerce.

Fresh Beginnings.

Be patient with everyone, but above all with yourself. I mean do not be disturbed because of your imperfections, and always rise up bravely from a fall. There is no better means of progress in the spiritual life than to be continually beginning afresh and never to think that we have done enough.-Francis de Sales.

Why "Mercurial."

The adjective mercurial, like many others, came into ordinary speech from the realm of astrology. In astrological language a mercurial man was one born under the influence of Mercury, when Mercury was in the ascendant, and therefore possessed of tinguish the heathen god.

ranch you are going to get. You know -no failures. I have lots of them at bargains new. John H. Wood.

Medicine or Food.

You have bought the bulky stock food and given to your stock as a medicine. Why not buy only the medicine and furnish your own food? The medicine will be much more certain. In

### THE GENEALOGY OF THE DOLLAR BEGINS WITH THE PENNY.

If you would produce the dollar, foster the penny. The bank is the only business that asks you to save your money. All other lines want you to spend it. Start to-day with a few dollars and get a new pass book and watch it grow.

#### FIRST NATIONAL BANK HAYS, KANSAS

The fortifications of Quebec are obolete as fortifications, but remain as picturesque additions to the beauty and interest of "The Gibraltar of Amer ica." The fortifications standing consist of walls and a citadel built in 1823-1832 at a cost of over seven million pounds. Between 1865 and 1871 three forts were built on the Levis side of the river, but were not armed or manned. The citadel occupies the old French fortifications remains.

Trick of the Human Eye. Although drops of falling rain are known to be almost spherical, they appear simply as streaks to the eye. This is because an indefinite number of images of the drop are impressed on the retina of the eye and, owing to persistence of vision-the retention of an image on the retina for a fraction nual interest charge on the acreage of a second after the object has passed value of the best farms in middle wes-

Buckeye State." The Ohic has the botanical name of aesculus glabra; it is a large tree, with strong smelling bark, small obscure flowers, and prickly fruit containing the seed. The horse-chestnut (aesculus hip-pocastanum) is a near relative of the same genus.

Perfect Artificial Foot.

foot of the artificial leg is in itself an exceedingly clever counterfeit. Its core is part of the same piece of wood that makes the body of the Greameries pay cash for milk.

The land is only six or seven hours vulcanized on in a series of thin layers, the result being to give the foot a lively springiness, rendering it comfortable for walking and helping to give the wearer a natural gait.

Conscience, Not Consequence.

When you are in doubt as to the course to take, consult your conscience, not consequences. Do right, and never mind how things are going to turn out. One who steers his course so as to avoid everything unpleasant, makes a zigzag course, and may miss the harbor at last. Follow conscience, and leave consequences to

Convictions Alone Count. Back of eloquence there must be lofty conviction. Many men are highminded, but they lack the power to express their feelings. The convictions are the oxygen, and power of expression is the hydrogen, of public

#### COLORADO FARMS Crop Payment Plan One Crop Gets Deed

If you produce a single crop of wheat on the land that we offer for sale in Fastern Colorado, we will accept it in full for all deferred payments due us on more than forty acres. No trace of the old French fortifications remains. duce two crops and give us half of each and we will give you warranty deed. If you cannot move to the land now and plant the crop, you may contract with us to do the work for you and pay us

rado lands can be purchased for a price per acre that is little more than the anof a second after the object has passed—the eye gets the impression of a streak. It is this that causes the spokes of a rapidly rotating wheel to appear blurred and that makes motion pictures possible.

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tance from town determines the price.
The quality of the land is all the same
-rich brown chocolate loam soil, very deep ane easily tilled. No stones, stumps or swamps. Corn yields from 35 to 60 bushels per acre: wheat from 20 to 50 bushels; oats from 35 to 60 bushels; barley from 40 to 70 bushels; rye from 20 to 35 bushels; potatoes from 90 to 200 bushels; alfalfa, 2 to 3 tons; sudan grass from 3 to 7 tons; breeze sudan grass from 3 to 7 tons; broom corn, one-third ton; beans, 600 to 1,000 pounds. Other crops successfully grown are kaffir, feterita, milo maize, beets, cabbage and onions. Everything has an instant market when hauled to town.

from Denver and only overnight from the great markets of Kansas City and Omaha. The climate of Colorado is un-surpassed. The summers are cool, the winters mild. Domestic water is found whiters mind. Domestic water is found in abundance and is of purest quality. Fuel, lumber and cement are cheap. Taxes are low; only about \$40.00 per square mile. Roads are excellent.

You can buy a farm on the regular terms of one third down and halance in

terms of one-third down and balance in three to five equal annual installments and keep all the crops yourself, or we will contract to plant crops for you and turn all the proceeds over to you. We have some farms for sale on ten years time. A few farms we improved to time. A few farms are improved. If you would like to own one of these Colorado farms we can show you how to get it. Prices will be double in very short time. Now is the time to buy. Come with us to Colorado and see the amazing things with your care. amazing things with your own eyes. A single crop will may the entire purchase prize of the land at prices now asked.

FARM SALES COMPANY, 511 Rector Bidg., Chicago, Ill. Local Representative. JACOB BISSING. Hays, Kansas.

## Back Home Again

I have returned from my Colifornia trip and at work again at my office near the Methodist church ready to draw your mortgages, deeds, leases, or other legal papers, or attend to your Land and Pension business at low rates and correctly on my typewriter. And solicit a share of your work. California is no place for a Kansas Farmer or Business man. You can't live on weather, or flowers and orange land at \$800 an acre and \$300 an acre farm land don't appeal to me to recommend you to move out here. Nice place for the rich to spend money or live easy. Come see

Harry Freese

# New Years Greeting

We wish to thank our Patrons who have helped to make the year of 1915 such a prosperous year

We plan to make 1916 our best year and to do so will need you with us.

Hoping to give you better goods and better service than ever before, we wish you a prosperous and Happy New Year.

A. A. Wiesner & Son